

**BOARD OF MAYOR AND SELECTMEN OF THE CITY OF MCCOMB CITY, MISSISSIPPI**

**EXECUTIVE ORDER 1**

**MARCH 24, 2020**

**WHEREAS**, on March 17, 2020, the City of McComb, pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. Section 33-15-17 (d) has declared and issued a local emergency in the wake of the Coronavirus pandemic ( COVID-19); and;

**WHEREAS**, the City of McComb, pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. 33-15-17(d) has the authority to issue such orders as necessary; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 31, 2020, the United States Department of Health and Human Services declared a public health emergency for COVID-19 beginning on January 27, 2020. On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a nationwide State of Emergency due to the coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 14, 2020, the Governor issued a Proclamation declaring a State of Emergency exists as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak; and

**WHEREAS**, COVID-19, has spread globally, nationally, and throughout the State of Mississippi; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 11, 2020, the Mississippi Department of Health confirmed the first case of COVID-19 in Mississippi. On March 24, 2020, the Mississippi Department of Health confirmed there are 320 presumptive and confirmed cases in Mississippi that have tested positive for COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) recommends avoiding social gatherings where ten (10) or more people may be gathering and staying six (6) feet from others; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 20, 2020, the Mississippi Department of Health recommended that all restaurants and bars suspend dine-in services to help slow the spread of COVID-19, but not including carryout or delivery orders; recommending that Mississippi residents not attend funerals, weddings, church services or community or social events with expected attendance of more than ten (10) people, but not including gas stations, pharmacies, grocery stores, or food marts; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 24, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 emergency and in accordance with the Guidelines from the President, CDC, and the Mississippi Department of Health, the Governor issued Executive Order 1463, effective until April 17, 2020, such Order states that:

- a. "Mississippi residents shall avoid social and other non-essential gatherings in groups of more than 10 people where the gatherings in a single space at the same time where individuals are in close proximity to each other. This does not apply to normal operations of locations like airports, medical and healthcare facilities, retail shopping including grocery and department stores, offices and other manufacturing facilities or any Essential Business or Operation
- b. Restaurants , bars, or other dining establishments shall suspend dine-in services unless able to reduce capacity to allow no more than 10 people to be gathered in a single space at the same time where individuals are seated or otherwise in close proximity to each other. However, the use of drive-thru, carryout, or delivery options is allowed and encouraged.
- c. Persons shall not visit hospitals, nursing homes and retirement or long-term care facilities unless to provide critical assistance, to visit residents receiving imminent end-of-life care, or as otherwise directed by the healthcare facility, provided in the professional opinion of the supervising physician or other supervising healthcare professional at such facility that such visits can be accomplished without unreasonable risk to other residents of such facilities. In lieu of in-person visits, electronic visits are encouraged."
- d. In accordance with Executive Order 1458, by Executive Order 1463 it is recommended and encouraged that all Mississippi business and non-profit entities work from home; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 24, 2020, the Mississippi Department of Health reported there were seven positive cases of COVID-19 in Pike County, Mississippi;

**WHEREAS**, consistent with Executive Order 1463 issued by the Governor on March 24, 2020, and in the interest and the general welfare of the City of McComb, the Board of Mayor and Selectmen of the City of McComb City, Mississippi hereby issue this Order

- a. Prohibiting gatherings of more than ten (10) people and staying six (6) feet from others; and
- b. That all restaurants located in the City of McComb, Mississippi, with or without drive-in or drive-thru services may only provide take-out, pick-up, delivery, or drive-thru services.

Done in the City of McComb City, Mississippi on this  
the 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.

  
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Quordinah N. Lockley, Mayor of the City of McComb  
City, Mississippi